

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-34 (Cancelled).

35. (New) An optical fiber, comprising:

a glass core having a central cross-sectional area with a first refractive-index peak, an outside ring with a second refractive-index peak, and an intermediate region between the first peak and the second peak with a refractive-index lower than the first and the second refractive index peak; and

a glass cladding surrounding the glass core, wherein the fiber has a cable cutoff wavelength of less than 1400 nm, an effective area of greater than or equal to $50 \mu\text{m}^2$, a dispersion at 1450 nm of greater than or equal to 1.5 ps/nm/km and a dispersion slope at 1550 nm of less than or equal to 0.070 ps/nm²/km.

36. (New) An optical fiber according to claim 68, wherein the intermediate region includes a refractive index depression.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 5 and 12. The caption "Prior Art" has been added to these figures.

Attachments: Replacement Sheets: 2 sheets (Figures 5 and 12)
 Annotated Sheets showing changes